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1. IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROBLEM OF TRANSSHIPMENT OF EC
SUBSIDIZED CHEESE TO THE US, AN OFFICIAL (DE JONG) IN THE COMMISSION'
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AGRICULTURAL DIRECTORATE HAS ASKED US FOR A DEFINITION OF
THE "CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF THE US." IN PARTICULAR, DE JONG NEEDS
TO KNOW WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING AREAS ARE INCLUDED IN THE US
CUSTOMS TERRITORY AND WHETHER EXPORTS FROM THESE AREAS TO THE
US ARE EXEMPT FROM US CUSTOMS FORMALITIES: AMERICAN SAMOA,
GUAM, KINGMAN REEF, MIDWAY, PANAMA CANAL ZONE, PUERTO RICO,
RYUKYU ISLANDS AND DAITO ISLANDS, TRUST TERRITORY OF THE
PACIFIC ISLANDS (CAROLINE ISLANDS, MARSHALL ISLANDS, AND
MARIANA ISLANDS). VIRGIN ISLANDS, AND WAKE ISLAND.

2. WE ARE AWARE OF PARAGRAPHS 2 AND 3A OF THE HEADNOTES TO THE
TSUS, WHICH DEFINE THE US CUSTOMS TERRITORY AS "ONLY THE STATES,
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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND PUERTO RICO." HOWEVER, WE WOULD

APPRECIATE ASAP AN OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION FROM WASHINGTON
IN VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CHEESE ISSUE. WE ALSO WOULD
APPRECIATE INFORMATION AS TO THE APPLICABILITY OF THE COUNTER-
VAILING DUTY STATUTE IN REGARD TO TRADE INVOLVING THESE AREAS.

3. DE JONG SAID THE COMMISSION WILL AWAIT OUR RESPONSE BEFORE
TAKING ANY ACTION ON SUBSIDIES GRANTED ON CHEESE EXPORTS
TO THE AREAS CITED.GREENWALD

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